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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED OCTOBER 23, 2006

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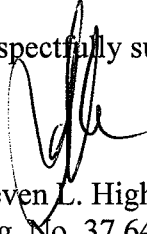
This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 23, 2006 for which the date for response was November 23, 2006.

A request for a one-month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required fee. This one-month extension will bring the due date to December 23, 2006, which is within the six-month statutory period. Should such request or fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/VBLT:017US.

In response to the restriction requirement which the Examiner imposed, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1-39, *i.e.*, the Group I claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3184 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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